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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Application of Heinz-Georg KRIMMEL, Harald SCHMUCK, Martin WITTE,  
Bernhard DEPPISCH, Thomas PFEIFFER  
OPTICAL TRANSCEIVERS FOR PATH-PROTECTED PASSIVE OPTICAL  
METRO ACCESS RINGS  
Assignee: ALCATEL  
Our Ref. Q76441

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 9 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 3 sheets of drawings, an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total claims              | 12 | - | 20 | = |  | x | \$18.00 | = | \$0.00          |
| Independent claims        | 2  | - | 3  | = |  | x | \$84.00 | = | \$0.00          |
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| <b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>   |    |   |    |   |  |   |         |   | <b>\$750.00</b> |
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| <b>TOTAL FEE</b>          |    |   |    |   |  |   |         |   | <b>\$790.00</b> |

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$750.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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The priority document is enclosed herewith.

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